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SUBJ: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION WRAP-UP

1. FOLLOWING IS USUN'S WRAP UP OF THE DEVELOPMENTS RE THE SPECIAL UNGA SESSION PROPOSED BY PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE IN JAN (USUN 364). REACTION TO ALGERIAN PROPOSAL, WHICH WAS TABLED DURING TIME THAT UN REPS AND CAPITALS WERE SEIZED WITH US INITIATIVE FOR WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE AND FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR UN ENERGY CONFERENCE, WAS CONFUSION. EVEN ALGERIANS CLOSEST NON-ALIGNED ALLIES EXPRESSED SURPRISE AND RESENTMENT (USUN 370). THAT ORIGINAL CONFUSION RE MOTIVES

OF ALGERIAN PROPOSAL AND BEST MEANS TO COPE WITH IT CONTINUE TO SOME DEGREE ON SUCH QUESTIONS AS AGENDA, PROCEDURES AND LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION, ALTHOUGH NECESSARY MAJORITY HAD AGREED BY FEBRUARY 14 TO CONVENE THE SESSION.

2. G-77 AND THE NON-ALIGNED HAVE BEEN ENGAGED IN  
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HECTIC AND PRACTICALLY CONTINUOUS CONSULTATIONS ON THE

PROPOSAL AMONG THEMSELVES, EXCLUDING EVERYONE ELSE. THESE CONSULTATIONS HAVE SO FAR PRODUCED ONLY A FEW CONCRETE RESULTS:

A) AN AGREEMENT TO CONVENE THE SESSION ON APRIL 9.

B) THE DRAFTING OF A PAPER OUTLINING GENERAL OBJECTIVES, PRINCIPLES AND UN ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (USUN 752). THE PAPER REPRESENTS ONLY THOSE AREAS AGREED UPON IN THE NON-ALIGNED AND G-77 DISCUSSIONS, AND CONSPICUOUSLY OMITTS SEVERAL CRUCIAL AREAS, SUCH AS ENERGY, THE EFFECTS ON INTERNATIONAL MONETARY INSTITUTIONS OF THE OIL CRISIS ETC., UPON WHICH THERE HAS BEEN HEATED DISCUSSION BUT NO AGREEMENT AMONG THE NON-ALIGNED AND G-77 TO DATE:

C) THAT THE SESSION WILL BE 3-4 WEEKS DURATION.

D) THAT GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT THE POLITICAL, MINISTERIAL LEVEL. - "ABOVE THE PERMREP LEVEL".

E) THAT CONSULTATIONS ON SUBSTANCE AND PROCEDURE AMONG LDCS WILL CONTINUE IN NY AND ELSEWHERE FOR AT LEAST ANOTHER TWO WEEKS.

3. USUN CONCERN THAT PLANNING FOR THE UNGA SPECIAL SESSION WAS PROGRESSING, ALBEIT AT SNAIL PACE, WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH DEVELOPED COUNTRIES LEAD TO FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENT:

1) AMB. SCALI INITIATED A MEETING WITH ALGERIAN PERMREP RAHAL ON FEB 27 TO DISCUSS THE WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE AND THE SPECIAL SESSION (USUN 691, 693 AND 694). AT THAT TIME SCALI EXPRESSED STRONG VIEW THAT EXTRANEIOUS POLITICAL ISSUES NOT BE INTRODUCED, THAT THERE BE NO DC/LDC CONFRONTATION, NO OVERLAPPING OF WFC AND THAT ENERGY CLEARLY SHOULD BE DISCUSSED. RAHAL AGREED.

2) SCALI DISCUSSED THE ISSUE WITH WALDHEIM (USUN 370), UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL MORSE (USUN 511) AND THE BRITISH. MEMBERS OF USUN STAFF HAVE BEEN MAKING CONTACTS AT ALL APPROPRIATE LEVELS WITHIN THE CONFINES OF PRESENT INSTRUCTIONS. CONFIDENTIAL

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USEFUL EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN FEW, HOWEVER DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE PROPOSAL ITSELF REMAINS VAGUE THERE IS DISAGREEMENT AMONG NON-ALIGNED AND G-77, AND ALL DELEGATIONS INCLUDING OURS HAVE FELT POLITICALLY CONSTRAINED.

4. THE MISSION HAS PICKED UP THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND IMPRESSIONS ON THE CRUCIAL ISSUE OF AGENDA, LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION AND PROCEDURES.

A) AGENDA - THE AGENDA IS LIKELY TO BE AMORPHOUS BUT WILL CERTAINLY DISCUSS RELATIONS BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS OF PETROLEUM AND OTHER PRIMARY PRODUCTS INCLUDING FOOD AND WILL PROBABLY ALSO DEAL WITH BROADER ISSUES OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND MONETARY POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE LEVELS. THE DISCUSSION WILL BE SERIOUS AND RESULT WILL PROBABLY BE THE REFERRAL TO UN BODIES, SUCH AS THE IMF, ECOSOC AND UNCTAD OF KEY PROBLEMS SUCH AS THE LINKAGE BETWEEN COMMODITY PRICES AND DEVELOPMENT, MONETARY INSTITUTIONS AND DEVELOPMENT, THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY AND TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT, AND THE ELABORATION OF PRINCIPLES OF ECONOMIC SECURITY. THE APRIL SESSION WILL ALSO SET THE STAGE FOR CONTINUING CONSIDERATION OF THE LDCS CONCERNS AT THE 29TH GA AND THE SPECIAL SESSION IN SEPT 1975.

B) REPRESENTATION - HIGH LEVEL POLITICAL REPRESENTATION WILL BE THE LDC OBJECTIVES. AS OF MARCH 5, AND THIS IS VERY EARLY IN THE GAME, USUN POLL INDICATES THAT IT IS DEFINITE THAT THE FMS OF GUYANA, INDONESIA AND NEPAL WILL ATTEND. PROBABLY, PRESES BOUMEDIENE AND PERON AND MINISTERS FROM INDIA, MEXICO, NETHERLANDS, NICARAGUA AND SWEDEN WILL ATTEND. IT IS HIGHLY PROBABLE THAT FRENCH AND UK FMS AND OTHER EC-9 FMS WILL ATTEND, ACCORDING TO LOCAL SOURCES. BEST ESTIMATES ARE THAT SOME 75 HEADS OF STATE AND MINISTERS (FOREIGN, FINANCE AND COMMERCE), WILL ATTEND.

C) PROCEDURES - A WIDELY-BASED MOVEMENT IS DEVELOPING TO AVOID PRICKLY POLITICAL ISSUES, E.G. CREDENTIALS, GA OFFICERS.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1) THAT WE BE PREPARED TO INTERVENE  
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EARLY ON IN THE SESSION WITH A SUBSTANTIVE STATEMENT, WHICH AMONG OTHER THINGS WOULD HELP TO SET A SERIOUS AND BALANCED TONE. 2) THAT A HIGH LEVEL WORKING GROUP BE ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE DEPT TO COORDINATE USG PARTICIPATION IN THE SESSION. 3) THAT CONSIDERATION OF APPROPRIATE USG REPRESENTATION AT THE SESSION BE UNDERTAKEN NOW, WITH FINAL DECISION TO BE MADE ONCE GENERAL INTENTION OF GOVERNMENTS RE LEVEL OF REPRESENTATION BECOMES CLEARER.

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